

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 7 and 13 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend claims 2-6, 8-12, 14-15 and 17, and add new claims 19-21 as follows:

LISTING OF CURRENT CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)
2. (Currently Amended) The ~~information-inquiry~~ method according to claim 4 19, further comprising a step of switching said input mode currently employed to another input mode.
3. (Currently Amended) The ~~information-inquiry~~ method according to claim 4 19, every record of said database comprising at least one telephone number.
4. (Currently Amended) The ~~information-inquiry~~ method according to claim 3, further comprising a step of dialing a telephone number that is selected from said searched information from said database.
5. (Currently Amended) The ~~information-inquiry~~ method according to claim 4 19, further comprising a method for storing a record into said database comprising the steps of:
 - inputting a telephone number and in accompanied with a name associated with said telephone number;
 - searching an allocation in said database by using said name; and
 - storing said telephone number and said name in said searched allocation.
6. (Currently Amended) The ~~information-inquiry~~ method according to claim 5, said name comprising a person name or a company title.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~information inquiry~~ system according to claim 7 20, said displayed record of said database comprising at least one telephone number.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~information inquiry~~ system according to claim 8, said processing device operating said computer executable instructions to dial a telephone number that is selected from said record of said inquired information.

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~information inquiry~~ system according to claim 7 20, said processing device operation said computer executable instructions to

receive record information that comprises at least one name;

search an allocation from said database by using said telephone and said name; and

store said record information in said allocation.

11. (Currently Amended) The ~~information inquiry~~ system according to claim 10, said name comprising a person name or a company title.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~information inquiry~~ system according to claim 7 20, said processing device operation said computer executable instructions to switch said input mode currently employed to another input mode.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim ~~13~~ 21, further comprising a step of switching said input mode currently employed to another input mode.

15. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim ~~13~~ 21, every record of said database comprising at least one telephone number.

16. (Original) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 15, further comprising a step of dialing a telephone number that is selected from said searched information from said database.

17. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim ~~13~~ 21, further comprising a method for storing a record into said database comprising the steps of:

inputting a telephone number and in accompanied with a name associated with said telephone number;

searching an allocation in said database by using said name; and

storing said telephone number and said name in said searched allocation.

18. (Original) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 17, said person name comprising a person name or a company title.

19. (New) A method of inquiring a target information on a mobile phone, comprising:

pressing a key to input a sign in association with pronunciation of the target information into a display device of the mobile phone;

5 the mobile phone converting the sign to a key word when an input mode installed therein is determined, wherein the key word is selected from the group consisting of an English character, a mandarin phonetic notation and a pinyin syllable;

10 performing a search in a database of the mobile phone by using the key word; and

selecting the target information from the search.

20. (New) A system for inquiring a target information on a mobile phone, comprising:

a storage device for storing a database of the mobile phone and computer executable instructions; and

5 a processing device operating the computer executable instructions after receiving a sign in association with pronunciation of the target information, wherein the computer executable instructions include operations of

converting the sign to a key word when an input mode installed in the mobile phone is determined, wherein the key word is selected from the group consisting of

10 an English character, a mandarin phonetic notation and a pinyin syllable;

performing a search in the database by using the key word; and

showing the search on a display device of the mobile phone.

21. (New) A computer-readable storage medium for storing a method of inquiring a target information on a mobile phone, the computer-readable storage medium having computer executable instructions for performing steps comprising:

5 pressing a key to input a sign in association with pronunciation of the target information into a display device of the mobile phone;

the mobile phone converting the sign to a key word when an input mode installed therein is determined, wherein the key word is selected from the group consisting of an English character, a mandarin phonetic notation and a pinyin syllable;

10 performing a search in a database of the mobile phone by using the key word; and

selecting the target information from the search.